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# State Dept. Is Asking Colleges To Curb Research by Chinese

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 26 — The State Department has begun asking academic officials to cooperate in imposing security-related restrictions on research done by Chinese scholars studying in the United States.

Many scholars from China are working in science and technological research, areas that the State Department says are subject to export control legislation. Altogether about 2,000 Chinese students enter the United States for study each year. The department oversees academic programs for them because of its role in granting entry visas.

The response to the State Department from at least two universities has been swift and negative.

C. Peter Magrath, President of the University of Minnesota, told the State Department in a letter last month, "Our mission is teaching, research and public service, and neither our faculty nor our administrators were hired to implement government security actions." Minne-

sota has 130 Chinese students, one of the largest groups in the country.

At the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Prof. Herman Feshbach,

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The Arabs, given the opportunity to present a peace plan that provided for a Palestinian nation with enough plausibility to attract some international interest, and at the same time put the Israelis on the defensive, squandered the opportunity through their familiar rivalries.

The eight-point peace plan of Crown Prince Fahd of Saudi Arabia was first

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But the heads of eight other members generally take more community than they not come up with a sharing the cost.

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## Pope Resumes Travel, Not Without Criticism

By HENRY TANNER  
Special to The New York Times

ROME, Nov. 26 — Six months after he was shot, Pope John Paul II has regained his vigor and is signaling that he intends to remain what he was before the assassination attempt: a robust, traveling teacher-Pope asserting his moral authority around the world.

Last Sunday, he made a day's visit to Umbria, in central Italy, his first trip beyond his summer residence near Rome since the shooting. A trip to Eng-

land is on the schedule for May. Switzerland is next, and Spain will follow in the fall. The Polish Government has been told that the Pope expects an invitation to return to his native country for a celebration at the shrine of the Black Madonna of Czestochowa in August.

During the months of the Pope's convalescence, many Vatican officials were convinced that the shots in St. Peter's Square on May 13 had irrevocably changed his papacy and that the Polish "traveling Pope" would have to set-

tle down. Such a transformation would be welcomed by some of them. But the opportunity for the Pope to become involved with the problems of the church, more concerned with doctrine and discipline.

As John Paul begins his fourth office, the judgments on his past mixed. There have been some failures as well as successes, and to those who observed him closely.

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months to process, and very few are granted to scholars from Communist nations for research in sensitive areas. Although the Chinese still allow these

Although the Chinese still fall under those rules, Mr. Powell said, efforts are being made to have the regulations changed. In the meantime, a compromise has been worked out that allows Chinese students to get visas before their programs of study are "fully analyzed" by the United States. The increased number of Chinese students in United States universities compares with a total of about 50 Soviet-bloc students, whose courses of study have been

According to Kenneth University of Minnesota student for Academic Affairs Gottfried, a Cornell physics chairman of the American Society's Committee on Freedom of Scientists, the Department has been mostly — under the Carter and Reagan Administrations —

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Three laws govern the export of American technology: the Export Administration Act, the Arms Control Act and the Atomic Energy Act. The State Department monitors compliance with export regulations on behalf of the Commerce and Defense Departments. Of particular concern to the United States is the loss of technological knowledge with military potential.

According to Kenneth H. Keller, the University of Minnesota's Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Kurt Gottfried, a Cornell physicist who is chairman of the American Physical Society's Committee on International Freedom of Scientists, the Commerce Department has been most active recently — under the Carter as well as the Reagan Administrations — in attempt-

ing to extend the definition of what technological knowledge is subject to licensing controls.

The State Department's position is that it has not asked universities to police the activities of Chinese students. The department says that it has only outlined the law and advised universities that they may be approached by Government officials concerned with export control.

## State Dept. Suggest Restrictions

But in a Sept. 30 letter to Professor W. R. Franta of the Computer Sciences Department at Minnesota, Mr. Powell wrote in detail about the program of a Chinese scholar, Qi Yulu.

"It is suggested that Qi be restricted from any access to unpublished or classified Government-funded work," he

wrote. "It is also suggested that the program emphasize course work with minimal involvement in applied research. There should be no access to the design, construction or maintenance data relevant to individual items of computer hardware. There should be no access to source codes or their development."

Mr. Powell added, "I would take this opportunity to remind you that this office should be advised prior to any visits to any industrial or research facilities."

Mr. Magrath replied that the university did no classified work in line with its policy against secret research. "Both in principle and in practice, the restrictions proposed in your letter are inappropriate for an American research university," he said.

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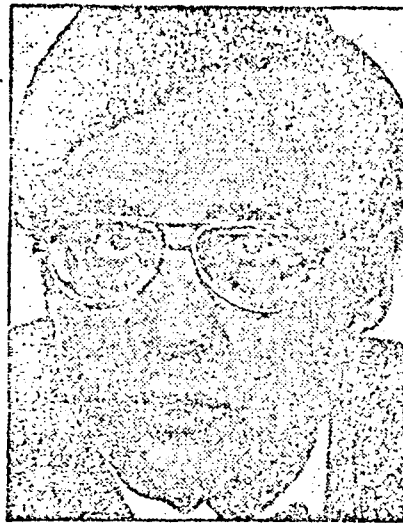
By Catherine Gabe  
Staff Writer

University of Minnesota president C. Peter Magrath said Wednesday he is appalled by a recent request from the U.S. State Department to restrict a visiting Chinese scholar's studies on grounds of national security.

In a Sept. 30 letter, the state department expressed concern about Qi Yulu, a Chinese scholar studying computer science, and the potential transfer of "classified technology or of technology that requires an export license ... This is an area with military applications."

The state department requested information on Yulu's proposed research and suggested that he be "restricted from any access to unpublished or classified government funded work."

"It is also suggested that the program emphasize coursework with minimal involvement in applied research," the letter said. "There should be no access to the design, construction, or maintenance data relevant to individual items of computer hardware. There should be no access to source codes or their development. His access should be limited to the published software for operating systems subroutines. Within this framework, however, Yulu should not be denied as full an academic program as possible."



C. Peter Magrath

Magrath told the state department that university policy prohibits classified research, and in an Oct. 16 letter said, "in principle and in practice, the restrictions proposed in your letter are inappropriate for an American research university."

"Our mission is training, research and public service, and neither our faculty nor our administrators were hired to implement government security actions ... the restrictions you propose can only have a chilling effect upon the academic enterprise."

The university has more than 3,000 foreign students, visiting faculty, fel-

lows and scholars, and has one of the country's largest exchange programs with China.

Kenn Powell, exchange officer for the State Department, said foreign students and visiting scholars are admitted and then examined more closely to sift out those whose studies are questionable.

The questionable courses may vary with a student's nationality, according to Daniel Landa, public information specialist for the International Trade Administration; what is fit for an English student to study may not be fit for a Chinese students' eyes.

"If the student is just learning that's fine, great," Powell said. "But if he is actually aiding in the physical development of a program that is a sellable and marketable item, that comes under regulations. If a foreign researcher develops an exportable item, that is tantamount to having it on the export market." The Commerce Department, Powell said, then requires that the universities apply for export licenses, if the student is to continue his course of study.

Powell denies that they are controlling the ideas of foreign students. "They can learn as long as they don't create," he said. Landa said the regulations control the export of "information as well as products".

Magrath and Keller said they will resist attempts to restrict students' studies. Though neither wants to close the door on foreign students, both say it would be more honest not to admit foreign students from the beginning than to admit them and slam academic doors in their faces in a supposed open learning environment.

"I can understand the reactions of universities when they feel Big Brother is interfering in academic freedom," Powell said. "But we are not trying to shackle the minds of academia or make them into policemen. We are trying to aid the largest number of people possible to come into the U.S."

Since the university did not answer the state department's request for further information, he said, there will probably be more efforts to make the university "cooperate."

"In the short run there is nothing we can do about this. We're not a Big Brother agency. In the long run the university will be hurting itself with the stance it's taking. It may stop students from coming altogether," Powell said.

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